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Mc Gill, March 8, 2007

To whom it may concern

We moved to White Pine County for living and working in a rural community – in clean air.

LS Power is projecting a coal fired powerplant “White Pine Energy Center”
The plant is located 30 miles outside the city of Ely – to minimize pollution impact to Ely residents.

My home is located five miles downwind from this powerplant.
I have the same right for clean air / to be protected from pollution as Ely residents

Until now, nobody has contacted us or provided hard information about what we as the closed neighbours of the projected powerplant have to expect.
The necessary information has to easily accessible, it is not my responsibility to investigate

I am highly concerned about pollution, health risks and other disadvantages this powerplant will bring.
To be exact, my wife has asthma. In her case, smoke always triggers an asthma attack, which can kill her.

Real estate value for our property will bust, we may not be able to sell at all - who wants to live directly in the fallout of a coal fired powerplant?



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WHITE PINE COUNTY ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION COUNCIL

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March 8, 2007

Rod A. Moore
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Air Pollution Control
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RE: White Pine Energy Associates, LLC
Class I Air Quality Operating Permit

Dear Mr. Moore:

The White Pine County Economic Diversification Council supports the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection's Proposed Action to issue a Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to White Pine Energy Associates, LLC to construct a coal fired electrical power plant in White Pine County. The proposed project will provide long-term economic diversification and benefit for our community including job opportunities, business activity, and public revenue to support the facilities and services to meet the needs of our citizens.

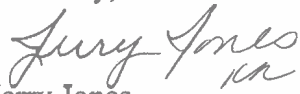
Through the efforts of our Coordinator, the White Pine County E.D.C. has been active in working with the socio-economic analysis for the proposed project and a participant in the EIS process for the White Pine Energy Station. We have been impressed with the extensive efforts taken to study potential impacts and to protect every aspect of the environment. We understand that the regulations governing air quality are stringent and that the project will be required to use the Best Available Control Technology. We are confident that the project can provide the development needed to sustain economic growth while maintaining our environmental quality.

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Jerry Jones, Chairman
White Pine County E.D.C.
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The White Pine County Economic Diversification Council urges you to issue the Class I Air Quality Operating Permit to White Pine Energy Associates for the construction and operation of the White Pine Energy Station. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Jerry Jones,
Chairman

March 8, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

White Pine County, Nevada has some of the best air quality in the United States. The skies here are incredibly blue and not hazy unless there is a wildfire burning somewhere upwind. I am very concerned about the degradation in air quality caused by the three coal-fired power plants being proposed by LS Power.

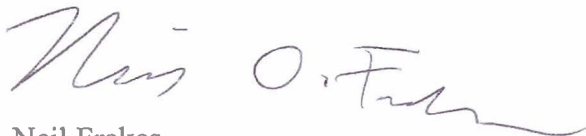
Last weekend a friend and I went skiing up to the summit of a peak in the Duck Creek Range just outside of Ely. This peak is unnamed on USGS maps, but is locally known as Peacock. The view from the top of this peak was amazing. I could see the Ruby Mountains and the Diamond Range, which are 75 miles away.

The reason I enjoy living here is because of the amazing quality of life that we have. There are few places left in the lower 48 states that have the vast undeveloped expanses that we have here in Eastern Nevada. Coal-fired power plants will drastically degrade our quality of life because air quality is a big part of what makes living here so wonderful. Without the amazing natural resources that this area has, there is little potential or desire for anyone to want to live in White Pine County.

Not only will coal-fired power plants degrade our local quality of life here in White Pine County, they will add to increased carbon emissions and thus global warming and climate change. Climate change is currently the number one environmental problem. I am extremely concerned about our climate getting warmer and drier. It seems to me that we should not be promoting the burning of fossil fuels in Nevada. Instead we should promote the use of renewable forms of energy such as wind, solar, and geothermal power. I understand that these resources, while perhaps not profitable for LS Power, are very abundant in Nevada. These forms of energy are our future, and the state of Nevada should promote them instead of coal-fired power.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Neil O. Frakes", written in a cursive style.

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February 22, 2007

TO: NDEP

Objections to the L-S Power Co. plan for the White Pine Energy Center (WPEC).

1. WPEC, primarily because of its enormity will emit great quantities of steam that is constantly created by the cooling process. The combination of the steam and Steptoe Valley's frigid nighttime temperatures will cause freezing, foggy, hazardous driving conditions on Highway 93. Nevada State Troopers have stated that 93 from McGill to Wells & Wendover is an extremely dangerous section of road. Hwy 93 is the primary route from Canada to Mexico. Consequently 18-wheelers, huge double-trailer ore cars, wide loads, motor homes, and school buses cause unusually heavy traffic, both northbound & southbound. The heavy fogs & black ice that will be created by steam and cold nights will create a disastrous situation. White Pine County Volunteer Emergency and Nevada State Safety services will be overwhelmed. A similar situation exists between Lovelock & Winnemucca. I believe it is called "Death Row". IT IS NOT PRETTY.
2. WPEC has no plans to contain Carbon Dioxide (CO2) emissions. The quantity of CO2 emissions that will be released into Steptoe Valley will be equivalent to the exhaust of 2 million SUVs.
3. Again, due to the enormity of the project, great quantities of Sulfur and other wastes will be released into the air by WPEC. This in turn will create acid rain and snowfall. Both plant and animal life will be negatively affected. By the way, Homo Sapiens are part of this listing.



March 8, 2007

TO: NDEP

Dear Sirs:

This letter is a formal objection to the development of a coal fired power plant in White Pine County.

My name is Rod Conner and I was born in Las Vegas in 1947 and made that my home for over 50 years. In 2002 the quality of life along with the pollution in the air in Las Vegas became the driving factor to relocate to White Pine County.

My wife and I currently are in better health which our family doctor has attributed to our clean air environment.

The burning of 10,000 TONS of coal each day will, without a doubt, have a negative affect in air quality and global warming.

Alternative power generation is currently available, i.e. solar, wind, etc. I would support these types of power plants.

Thank you,



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March 8, 2007

Re: LS Power NDEP Hearing

To Whom It May Concern:

Just because our corner of the state happens to experience cleaner air than other, more populated areas of our state, that does not give us license to encourage polluting industries to take advantage of our clean air and construct their facilities here. White Pine County is going through a financial crisis and we do need to assess our options. But permitting LS Power to construct a coal-burning power facility here will cause us to lose yet another asset that has drawn people to our community over the years. The past few weeks, as I came to learn more about the proposed power plants in Steptoe Valley, I have met many people who have stated that part of their decision to move here was the clean air. Grant it, many of these people did not grow up here. But they have lived in areas where the air quality was so poor that clean air was actually an *asset* when considering communities, and they chose Ely, NV.

I grew up in the Ohio River Valley and I know what the addition of large coal-burning power plants does to a community. Poverty does not disappear. Jobs do not increase exponentially. Businesses do not benefit in the long-term. And the air does not remain as clean as it was prior to the plants' construction.

White Pine County has seen better days, but it also has seen worse. We, as a community, need to take stock of what we currently have to offer and at least maintain, if not strive to improve upon, the positive aspects of this place that we call home.

Jennifer Brickey
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Even small amounts of mercury will bioaccumulate over time, especially in aquatic ecosystems, causing detrimental effects long-term.

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Division
To: Nevada Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Air Pollution Control
From: Curt Leet

Thursday, March 08, 2007

Regarding LS Power Air Quality Permit

I am writing this to express my concerns with the Air Quality permit that LS Power has requested. I enjoy the current quality of life here in White Pine County and a large part of the quality of life here is due to the great air quality we have. I do not want to see that diminished or negatively impacted.

I feel good that the Western Resource Advocates and others have put together a report discussing the scientific impacts from the proposed project. I have seen the impacts from coal fire power plants impacting the Grand Canyon and also along the I-80 corridor and do not want that to happen here.

It is ridiculous that Southern Nevada Water Authority wants our water then wants the power generated here to pump it down there.

We do need a stable economy here but putting a coal fired power plant here is not the answer.

Global warming is finally recognized as a serious threat to the earth. Even our President has recognized Global warming as occurring. We need to act now to correct the situation for future generations.

Thanks for your time and attention to my concerns.

Sincerely



Curt Leet

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March 8, 2007

TO: NDEP

Dear Sirs:

My name is Sandra Conner. I am a native Nevadan and live in Duck Creek Basin. I have enjoyed White Pine County and all it has to offer for over 30 years. When my husband and I decided to retire, we choose this area.

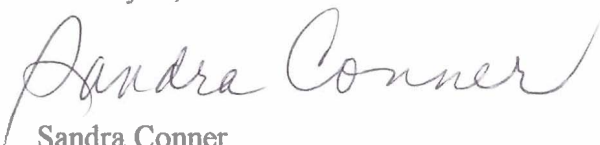
The clean pure air, the abundance of flora and fauna in our backyard adds a quality of life that is rare to find these days and times. Steptoe Valley air has been found to be some of the cleanest ever tested. Why destroy all of these assets?

Steptoe Valley is wintering ground for elk, deer and antelope. I have seen, on many occasions, herds of 300+ antelope, many elk and deer. Why destroy this?

I can think of numerous reasons NOT to have coal fired power plants in Steptoe Valley and can not think of ONE reason to have them in Steptoe Valley.

I am very much opposed to coal fired power plants in Steptoe Valley or any where else. There are alternatives that would preserve the quality of life we so enjoy in White Pine County.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Conner". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed contact information.

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